Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Wednesday 02 Feb 2022 until 23:59 on Thursday 03 Feb 2022

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 02 Feb 2022 at 02:39 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for milder, less windy weather on Wednesday then change to much colder, very windy conditions later Thursday and on Friday.

Headline for Wednesday 02 Feb 2022: Mostly cloudy, milder. Patchy rain at first then more persistent rain spreading eastwards during afternoon. Extensive hill fog.

Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 02 Feb 2022

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** No Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Medium Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light rain	Light rain	Dull	Dull	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain
Precipitation probability					
50%	60%	40%	40%	60%	70%

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Weather: Cloudy with patchy light rain, mostly dying out during the morning. Then drier for a time with a few brighter interludes, especially over the Trossachs. Rain will become more persistent and heavier during afternoon over Lochaber and Glencoe with rain extending to most ranges by evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 20% but 50% in east later morning/early afternoon.

Low Cloud and visibility: Often poor visibility in west with clouds well down the hills. Visibility improving good for a time in east of area with clouds lifting above some of the tops. Visibility will then become poor in most areas during afternoon and evening with clouds becoming extensive down to 500 or 600m.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	34/39 SW	29/36 W	30/39 SW	32/40 SW	31/40 SW	31/41 SW	35/46 SW
900	15/21 W	19/27 W	21/29 W	22/30 W	21/30 SW	22/32 SW	24/35 SW
600	18/23 SW	24/30 SW	25/33 SW	27/35 SW	26/35 SW	26/35 SW	29/39 SW
300	8/11 SW	11/16 SW	13/19 SW	15/22 SW	15/23 SW	15/24 SW	16/26 SW
Glen	5/11 SW	9/20 W	10/20 SW	12/24 SW	11/24 SW	10/22 SW	14/28 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
1300	1/-7	2/-5	2/-5	2/-5	2/-5	1/-7	1/-7
900	2/-3	3/-2	4/-2	4/-2	4/-2	3/-3	3/-3
600	4/-1	6/0	6/1	6/1	6/0	5/-0	5/-1
300	6/3	7/4	8/4	8/4	7/4	7/3	7/3
Glen	7/6	9/7	9/7	9/7	9/7	9/6	8/5
Freezing Level*	1500m	1500m	1500m	1600m	1600m	1400m	1400m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Note winds not as strong on tops and higher freezing levels but still a very cold feel with temperatures only a few degrees above freezing.

Forecast for Thursday 03 Feb 2022
Weather: Cloudy with outbreaks of rain during the morning and extensive hill fog. A band of heavy rain will move eastwards across all parts in the afternoon then drier, clearer, much colder weather following during the evening.

Maximum wind: A very windy day with severe gales on higher ridges and summits. Southerly winds increasing during morning, average speeds 40 to 50mph with gusts 70mph, veering westerly by evening and decreasing a little.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: Little chance during the day, improving 70% in the evening.

Low Cloud and visibility: Mostly poor visibility throughout the day with clouds well down the hills. Visibility improving very good during evening with clouds lifting and breaking up.

Temperature: **Glens:** 10 Celsius falling to 5 Celsius during evening.
At 800m: Plus 3 Celsius falling to minus 3 Celsius during evening.
Freezing level: 1300m lowering to 600m during evening.

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